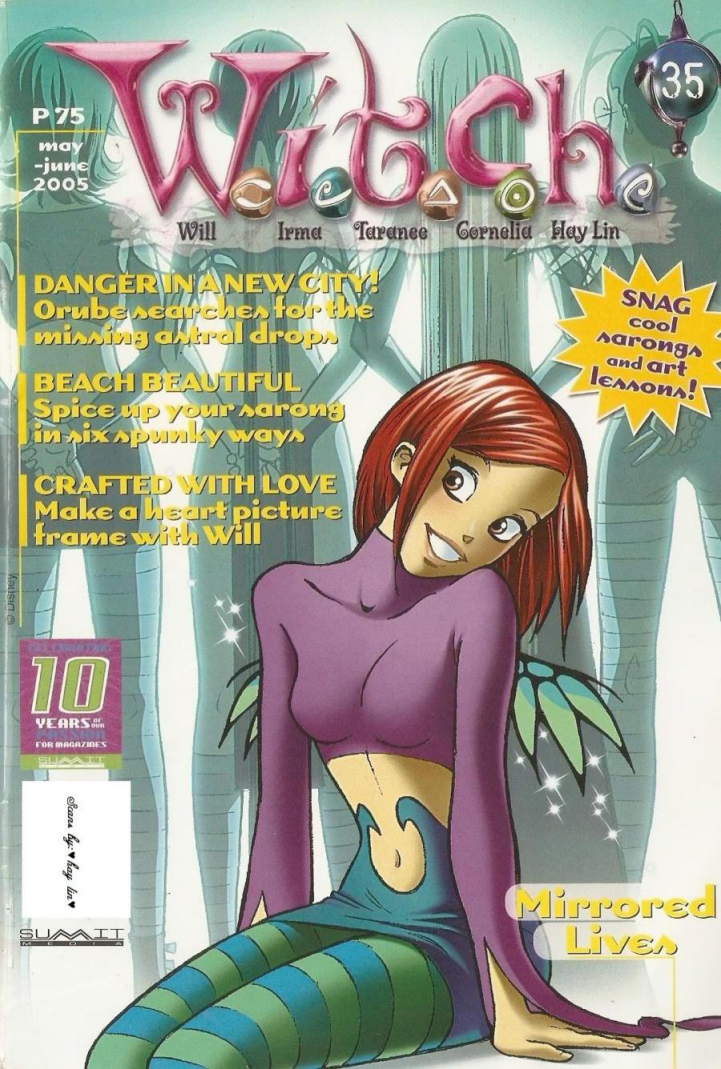
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Spice up your sarong in six spunky ways
CRAFTED WITH LOVE
Make a heart picture frame with Will
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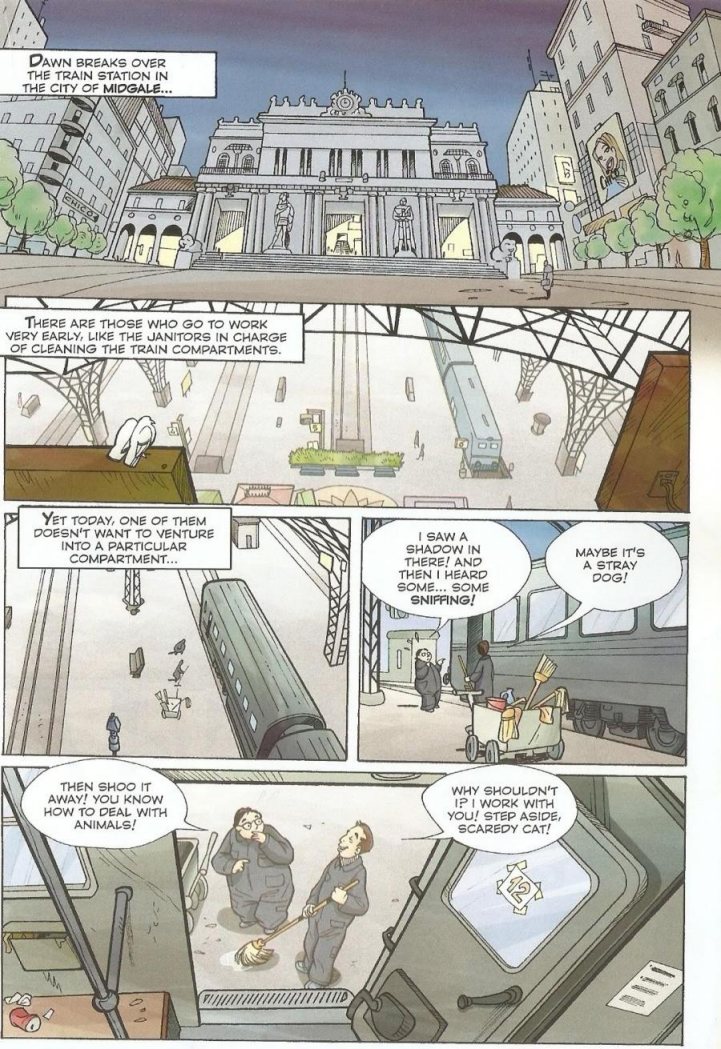
DAWN BREAKS OVER THE TRAIN STATION IN THE CITY OF MIDGALE...
THERE ARE THOSE WHO GO TO WORK VERY EARLY, LIKE THE JANITORS IN CHARGE OF CLEANING THE TRAIN COMPARTMENTS.
YET TODAY, ONE OF THEM DOESN'T WANT TO VENTURE INTO A PARTICULAR COMPARTMENT...
I SAW A SHADOW IN THERE! AND THEN I HEARD SOME... SOME SNIFFING!
MAYBE IT'S A STRAY DOG!
THEN SHOO IT AWAY! YOU KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH ANIMALS!
WHY SHOULDN'T I?! I WORK WITH YOU! STEP ASIDE, SCAREDY CAT!

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NO! ACTUALLY, I CAN'T CONSIDER MYSELF A HUMAN BEING...
...BUT I DON'T LIKE BEING COMPARED TO A CAT EITHER!
TUMP
MY NAME IS ORUBE, AND TODAY...
WOMP
...TODAY I'M ON A HUNT!

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NOW THAT I'VE SNIFFED DOWN THEIR TRAIL, I'LL FIND MY PREYS SOONER OR LATER!
THE ASTRAL DROPS OF THE GUARDIANS OF KANDRAKAR ARE SOMEWHERE NEARBY!
THEY CAN'T HAVE GONE FAR! THEY'RE ALL ALONE, WITH VERY LITTLE MONEY...
...IN A CITY THEY DON'T KNOW.
WHAT DID THE REAL WILL TELL ME? JUST BEFORE I LEFT...
"HEATHERFIELD..."
YOU'VE GOT TO FIND THEM AT ALL COSTS!
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BUT THINK ABOUT IT, WILL! IF THEY RAN AWAY, IT MEANS THERE'S A PROBLEM!
I KNOW, TARANEE, BUT THEN WE'VE GOT TO TRY TO WORK IT OUT TOGETHER!
THEY'RE OUR ASTRAL DROPS! PERFECT COPIES OF US!
IMAGINE WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF THEY WENT RUNNING AROUND ALL OVER THE WORLD ON THEIR OWN!
IRMA'S RIGHT! THEY COULD DO A LOT MORE DAMAGE THAN THEY'VE DONE ALREADY...
OR, EVEN WORSE, THEY COULD GET HURT!
YEAH! THEY DON'T HAVE MAGIC POWERS LIKE WE DO. THEY'RE TOTALLY VULNERABLE!
THAT'S EXACTLY WHY THEY RAN AWAY. ALL WE DO IS TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEM! WE NEVER ASK THEM ANYTHING ABOUT THEMSELVES!
WE WERE SO BUSY USING THEM, WE PRACTICALLY FORGOT ABOUT THAT!

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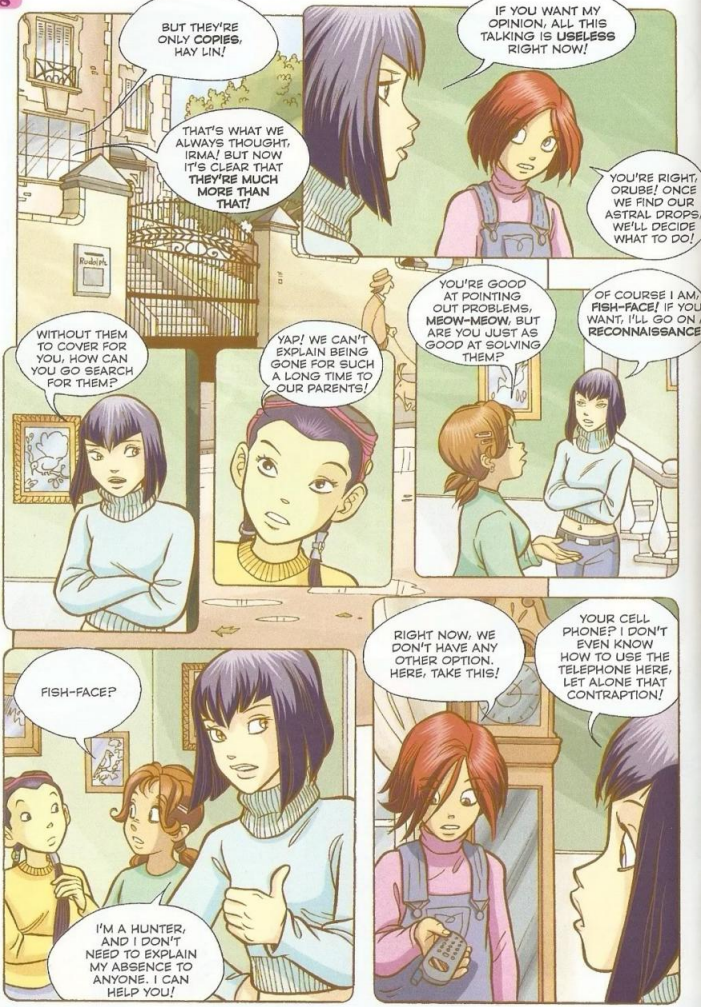
BUT THEY'RE ONLY COPIES, HAY LIN!
THAT'S WHAT WE ALWAYS THOUGHT, IRMA! BUT NOW IT'S CLEAR THAT THEY'RE MUCH MORE THAN THAT!
IF YOU WANT MY OPINION, ALL THIS TALKING IS USELESS RIGHT NOW!
YOU'RE RIGHT, ORUBE! ONCE WE FIND OUR ASTRAL DROPS, WE'LL DECIDE WHAT TO DO!
WITHOUT THEM TO COVER FOR YOU, HOW CAN YOU GO SEARCH FOR THEM?
YAP! WE CAN'T EXPLAIN BEING GONE FOR SUCH A LONG TIME TO OUR PARENTS!
YOU'RE GOOD AT POINTING OUT PROBLEMS, MEOW-MEOW, BUT ARE YOU JUST AS GOOD AT SOLVING THEM?
OF COURSE I AM, FISH-FACE! IF YOU WANT, I'LL GO ON A RECONNAISSANCE
FISH-FACE?
I'M A HUNTER, AND I DON'T NEED TO EXPLAIN MY ABSENCE TO ANYONE. I CAN HELP YOU!
RIGHT NOW, WE DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER OPTION. HERE, TAKE THIS!
YOUR CELL PHONE? I DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO USE THE TELEPHONE HERE, LET ALONE THAT CONTRAPTION!

YOU'LL LEARN! WHEN YOU FIND OUR ASTRAL DROPS, JUST CALL US AND WE'LL BE THERE IN AN INSTANT...
"...USING TRANSPOSITION!"
OF COURSE! TRANSPOSITION!
THAT'S HOW I GOT HERE IN MIDGALE! THEY TRANSPORTED ME!
TWO HUNDRED MILES ON FOOT WOULD'VE BEEN TIRING, EVEN FOR ME!
IT WASN'T DIFFICULT TRACKING DOWN THE GIRLS SINCE THEY WERE LAST SEEN AT THE TRAIN STATION.
THEY USED ALL THEIR MONEY TO GET AS FAR AWAY AS POSSIBLE FROM HEATHERFIELD... JUST TO GET HERE!
AND I DON'T THINK THEY'D HAVE MANAGED TO FIND ANY MORE MONEY YET!

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ORUBE SLIPS THROUGH THE SHADOWS WITH SPEED AND AGILITY, BUT SHE KNOWS SHE'S GOT TO BE EVEN FASTER!
THIS CITY IS VERY DIFFERENT FROM HEATHERFIELD! IT'S BIGGER, MORE CHAOTIC...
...AND PEOPLE ARE MORE AFRAID.
STEEL BARS, ALARMS... EVERYTHING ABOUT THIS PLACE PUTS THE WARRIOR ON GUARD...
...AND SHE STARTS HOPING SHE ISN'T TOO LATE!
PLICK

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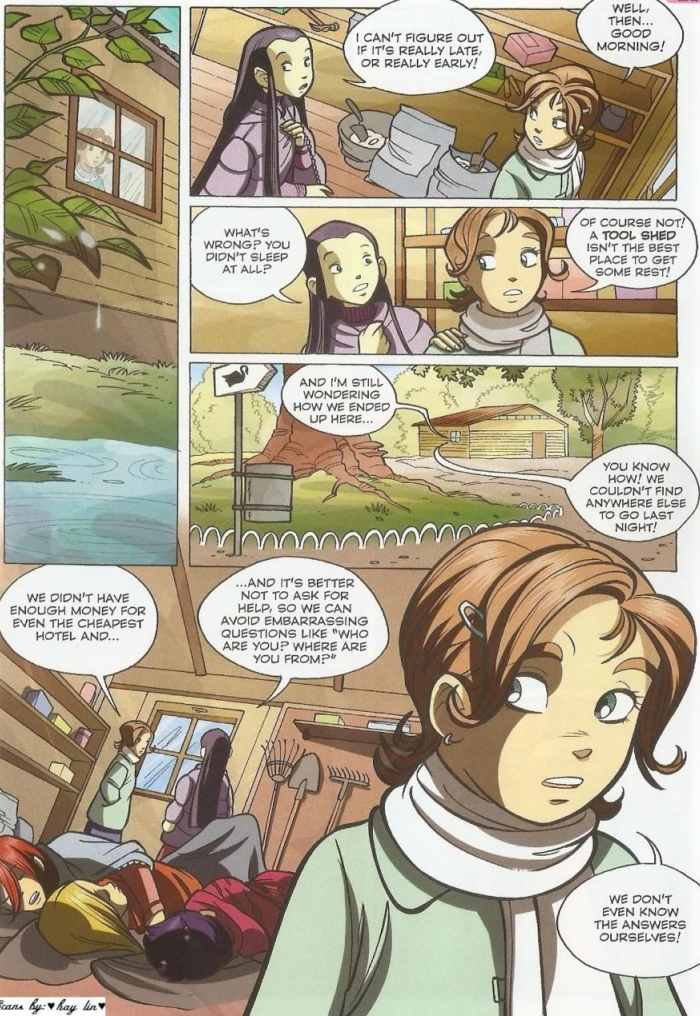
I CAN'T FIGURE OUT IF IT'S REALLY LATE, OR REALLY EARLY!
WELL, THEN... GOOD MORNING!
WHAT'S WRONG? YOU DIDN'T SLEEP AT ALL?
OF COURSE NOT! A TOOL SHED ISN'T THE BEST PLACE TO GET SOME REST!
AND I'M STILL WONDERING HOW WE ENDED UP HERE...
YOU KNOW HOW! WE COULDN'T FIND ANYWHERE ELSE TO GO LAST NIGHT!
WE DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY FOR EVEN THE CHEAPEST HOTEL AND...
...AND IT'S BETTER NOT TO ASK FOR HELP, SO WE CAN AVOID EMBARRASSING QUESTIONS LIKE "WHO ARE YOU? WHERE ARE YOU FROM?"
WE DON'T EVEN KNOW THE ANSWERS OURSELVES!

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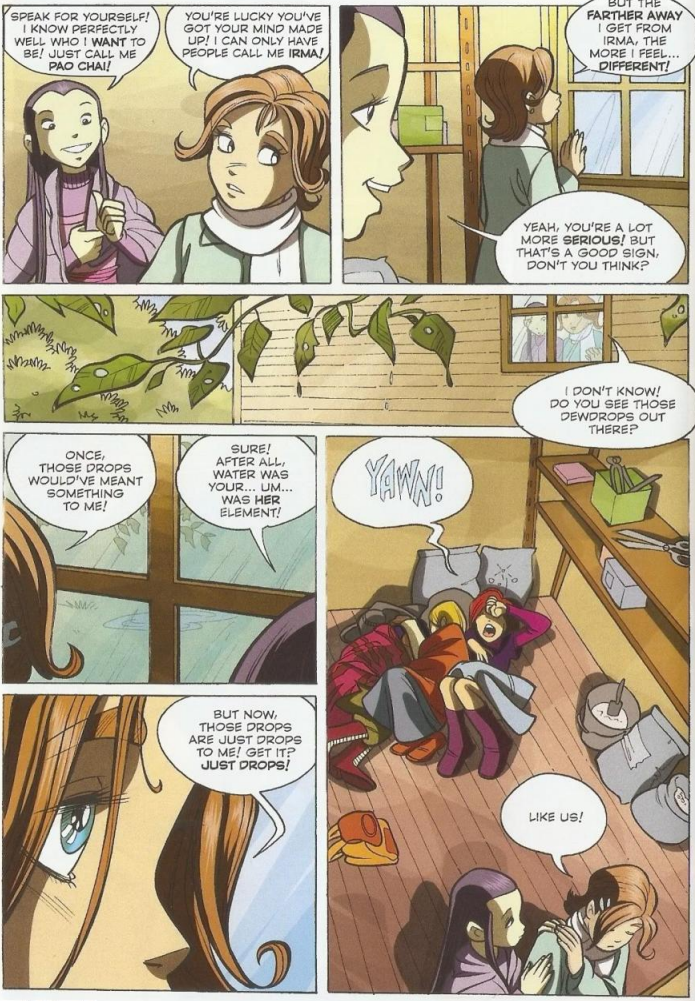
SPEAK FOR YOURSELF! I KNOW PERFECTLY WELL WHO I WANT TO BE! JUST CALL ME PAO CHAI!
YOU'RE LUCKY YOU'VE GOT YOUR MIND MADE UP! I CAN ONLY HAVE PEOPLE CALL ME IRMA!
BUT THE FARTHER AWAY I GET FROM IRMA, THE MORE I FEEL... DIFFERENT!
YEAH, YOU'RE A LOT MORE SERIOUS! BUT THAT'S A GOOD SIGN, DON'T YOU THINK?
I DON'T KNOW! DO YOU SEE THOSE DEWDROPS OUT THERE?
ONCE, THOSE DROPS WOULD'VE MEANT SOMETHING TO ME!
SURE! AFTER ALL, WATER WAS YOUR... UM... WAS HER ELEMENT!
YAWN!
BUT NOW, THOSE DROPS ARE JUST DROPS TO ME! GET IT? JUST DROPS!
LIKE US!

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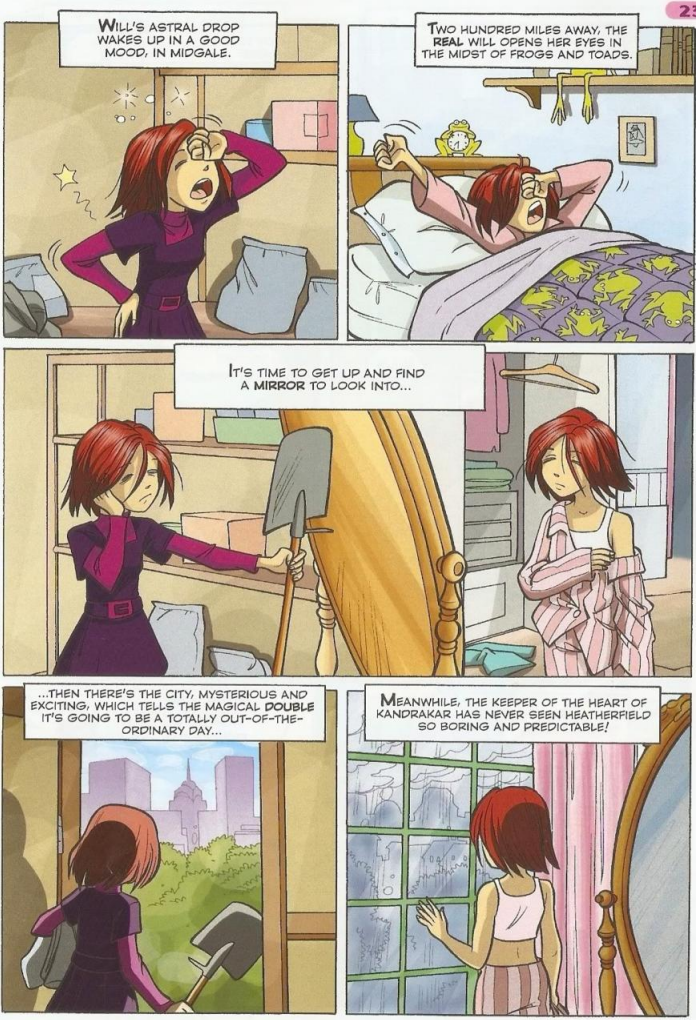
WILL'S ASTRAL DROP WAKES UP IN A GOOD MOOD, IN MIDGALE.
TWO HUNDRED MILES AWAY, THE REAL WILL OPENS HER EYES IN THE MIDST OF FROGS AND TOADS.
IT'S TIME TO GET UP AND FIND A MIRROR TO LOOK INTO...
...THEN THERE'S THE CITY, MYSTERIOUS AND EXCITING, WHICH TELLS THE MAGICAL DOUBLE IT'S GOING TO BE A TOTALLY OUT-OF-THE-ORDINARY DAY...
MEANWHILE, THE KEEPER OF THE HEART OF KANDRAKAR HAS NEVER SEEN HEATHERFIELD SO BORING AND PREDICTABLE!

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HEY!!! WHAT WERE YOU DOING IN MY SHED? MY TOOLS ARE IN THERE!
REALLY? THEN THIS MUST BE YOURS! GO AHEAD AND KEEP IT... GOODBYE!
UM, I'VE GOT TO GO, TOO! HERE YOU ARE, MY FINE FELLOW!
!
HI THERE! THANKS AND HAVE A NICE DAY!
HUH?
WAIT FOR ME!
WHAT... WHO...
HEY, GUYS! WAIT UP!
- - -
Hey! What the heck is going on here?
SKRANG

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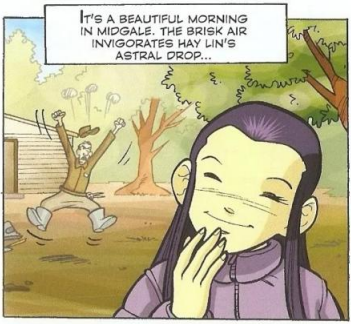

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OH, MAN!
LAST NIGHT, MIDGALE SEEMED SO DIFFERENT!
IT LOOKS LIKE A PRETTY RICH PLACE, WHERE PEOPLE LIVE THE GOOD LIFE!
SPEAKING OF WHICH, WE'RE ALMOST OUT OF CASH! WE ONLY HAVE ENOUGH FOR BREAKFAST!
THEN LET'S GET GOING! I DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU, BUT I'M FAMISHED!
YEAH, WE NEED TO EAT SOMETHING...
...BUT WHAT WILL WE DO ONCE WE RUN OUT OF MONEY?
WE'LL THINK OF SOMETHING! LOOK! THERE'S A FOOD STAND DOWN THERE!

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COME ON, TARANEE! WE'LL MANAGE SOMEHOW! WE JUST HAVE TO GET OUR BEARINGS, THAT'S ALL!
NO! WE HAVE TO FIND A WAY TO GET AS FAR AWAY AS POSSIBLE! RIGHT NOW! THIS MINUTE!

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TARANEE'S ASTRAL DROP SEEMS TO BE THE ONLY ONE WHO SENSES THAT TIME IS RUNNING OUT!
YET THE REAL TARANEE ISN'T THINKING ABOUT HER. THERE'S SOMETHING WORRYING HER EVEN MORE AT SHEFFIELD INSTITUTE...
A SINKING FEELING IN THE GUT. THAT'S THE ONLY THING TARANEE AND HER ASTRAL DROP HAVE IN COMMON RIGHT NOW!
AND SO, WHILE THE GUARDIAN'S COPY REALIZES THAT MAYBE IT'S TRUE IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO ESCAPE FROM YOUR SELF...
HER COUNTERPART AVOIDS NIGEL'S GAZE AND RUNS OFF, KNOWING PERFECTLY WELL THAT HER ESCAPE WILL GET HER NOWHERE AS WELL.

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BUT LET'S STAY IN HEATHERFIELD FOR A MOMENT...
TARANEE! WHAT'S WRONG?
WAIT! IT'S ME! DON'T...
AH!
HEY, YOU WALKING LANDSLIDE! YOU THINK YOU CAN JUST ZIP AROUND CORNERS LIKE THAT?
ACTUALLY, NO! I WAS JUST FOLLOWING MY SISTER, LIKE YOU WERE!
H-HI, PETER! WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE?
I WAS LOOKING FOR TARANEE! AS ALWAYS, SHE FORGOT HER PLANNER IN THE CAR!
ANYWAY, THAT WAS A NICE GREETING YOU GAVE ME. COULD I HEAR IT AGAIN? IT WAS SO ORIGINAL!

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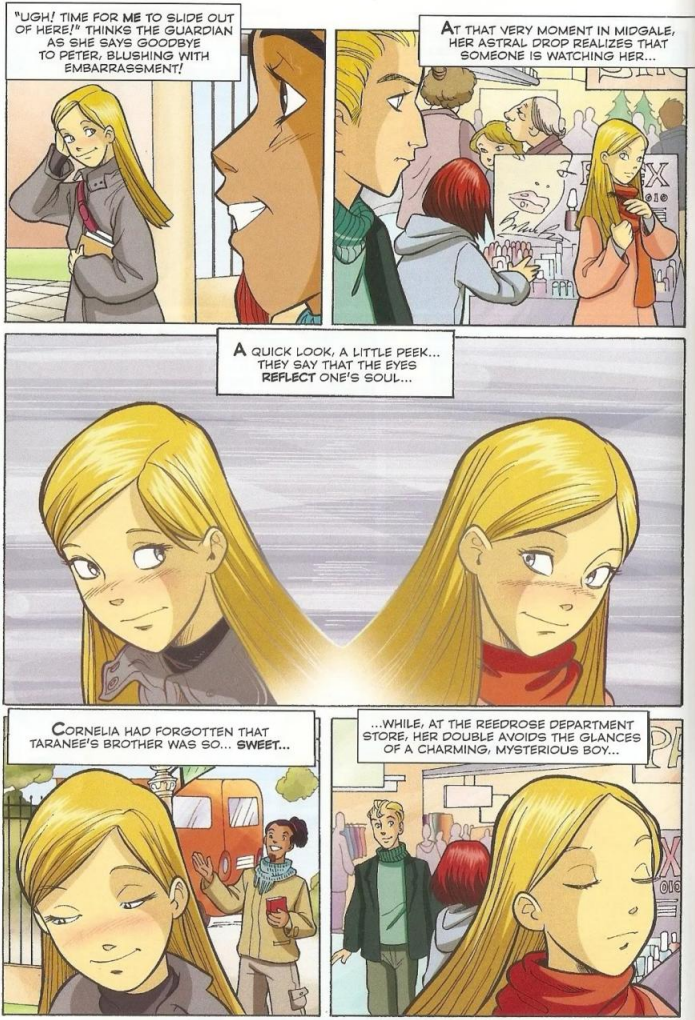
"UGH! TIME FOR ME TO SLIDE OUT OF HERE!" THINKS THE GUARDIAN AS SHE SAYS GOODBYE TO PETER, BLUSHING WITH EMBARRASSMENT!
AT THAT VERY MOMENT IN MIDGALE, HER ASTRAL DROP REALIZES THAT SOMEONE IS WATCHING HER...
A QUICK LOOK, A LITTLE PEEK... THEY SAY THAT THE EYES REFLECT ONE'S SOUL...
CORNELIA HAD FORGOTTEN THAT TARANEE'S BROTHER WAS SO... SWEET...
...WHILE, AT THE REEDROSE DEPARTMENT STORE, HER DOUBLE AVOIDS THE GLANCES OF A CHARMING, MYSTERIOUS BOY...

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I'D BETTER GET OUT OF HERE! THE REAL CORNELIA WOULD NEVER ACT SO CUTESY WITH A STRANGER!
YEAH! SHE ALWAYS KNOWS WHAT SHE WANTS!
BUT WHAT ABOUT ME? WHAT DO I WANT?
WELL, LOOK WHO WE HAVE HERE... CORNELIA HALE! SHE DEFINITELY WON'T REMEMBER ME!
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I SAW HER STOP BY HER FATHER'S OFFICE!
TUMP
EVERYTHING ALL RIGHT, SIR?
JUST FINE, OFFICER! NOTHING BROKEN!

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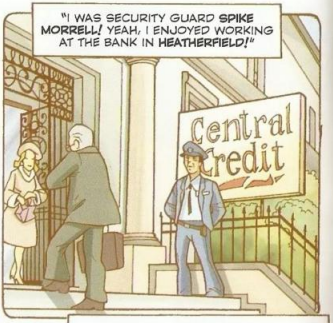

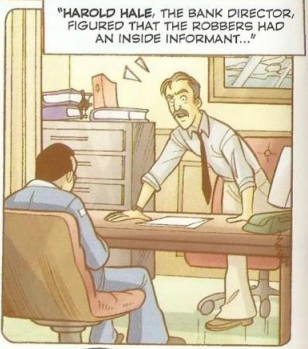

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ACTUALLY, THAT MEDDLING HALE WAS RIGHT! I WAS THE ONE WHO CAME UP WITH THE IDEA OF ROBBING THE BANK!
BUT MY PARTNERS TRICKED ME AND LEFT TOWN, AND IN THE END, I WAS THE ONE WHO PAID FOR IT BY LOSING MY JOB!
AS THEY SAY AT TIMES LIKE THESE... REVENGE IS A DISH BEST SERVED COLD!
HEY! GET OVER HERE, QUICK!
COME ON!
?
WHAT'S GOING ON? WHY ARE YOU GUYS SO WORKED UP?
BECAUSE WE FOUND A WAY TO MAKE MONEY!
LOTS OF MONEY!

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WELL... LET'S SEE...
YOUR HEIGHT IS FINE... AND YOUR POISE...
HOW DID YOU SAY YOU HEARD ABOUT THIS AUDITION?
WE WERE TALKING TO THE CLERKS IN THE PERFUME DEPARTMENT, MA'AM!
YEAH! THEY SAID THAT IN THE GIRLS' APPAREL DEPARTMENT, THEY WERE HAVING A FASHION SHOW FOR TEENS...
...AND THAT THE ORGANIZER WAS WORRIED BECAUSE SHE NEEDED A MODEL!
HMM!

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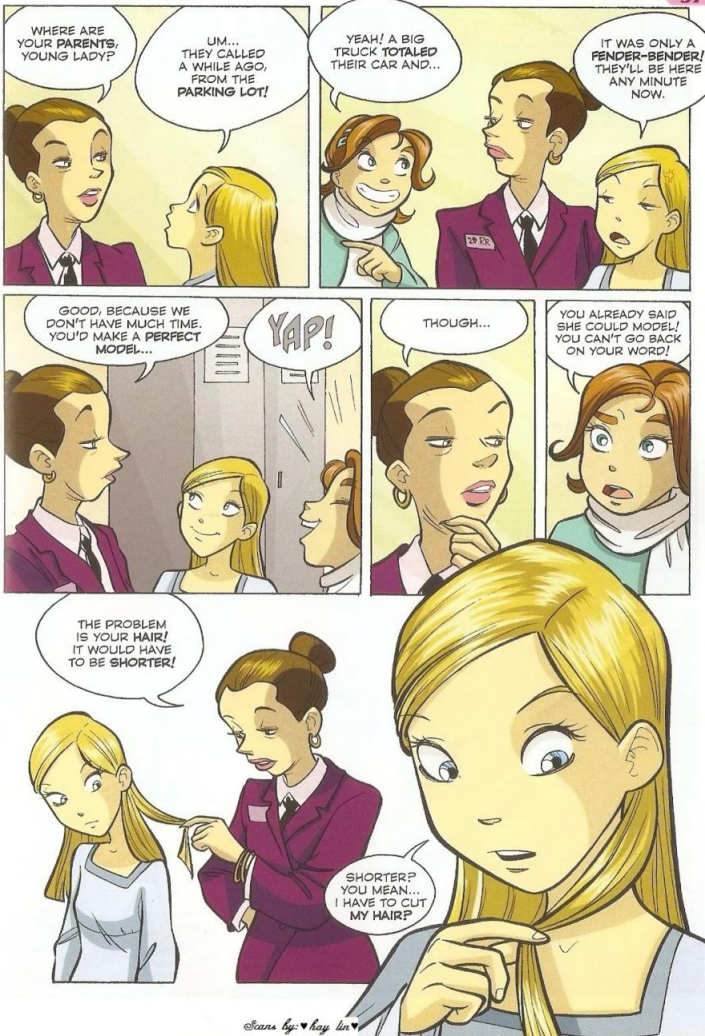
WHERE ARE YOUR PARENTS, YOUNG LADY?
UM... THEY CALLED A WHILE AGO, FROM THE PARKING LOT!
YEAH! A BIG TRUCK TOTALED THEIR CAR AND...
IT WAS ONLY A FENDER-BENDER! THEY'LL BE HERE ANY MINUTE NOW.
GOOD, BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME. YOU'D MAKE A PERFECT MODEL...
YAP!
THOUGH...
YOU ALREADY SAID SHE COULD MODEL! YOU CAN'T GO BACK ON YOUR WORD!
THE PROBLEM IS YOUR HAIR! IT WOULD HAVE TO BE SHORTER!
SHORTER? YOU MEAN... I HAVE TO CUT MY HAIR?

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"YES, A NICE, CLEAN CUT!"
SNAP
WHAT THE...? HEY, YOU!
MIND TELLING ME WHAT YOU'RE DOING IN MY TOOL SHED?
I WAS SNIFFING AROUND! WHY?
GOOD GRIEF! WHY DOES IT ALL HAPPEN TO ME? FIRST THOSE GIRLS, AND NOW THIS WEIRDO...
SBAM
I... I WAS J-JUST KIDDING, MISS! YOU'RE N-NOT SO W-WEIRD!
TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE! SO THINK BEFORE YOU ANSWER ME!
WHERE DID THOSE GIRLS GO?

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"NOT VERY FAR, I THINK."
CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP
CLAP CLAP CLAP
EXCELLENT! NOW LET'S MOVE ON TO THE LAST FEW ITEMS WHICH YOU'LL FIND ONLY HERE IN THE GIRLS' APPAREL OF REEDROSE...
YOU WERE FANTASTIC!
YOU REALLY THINK I DID WELL?
YES, YOU WERE GREAT! NOW GO INSIDE AND CHANGE! I'LL NEED TO TALK TO YOUR PARENTS.
I'D LIKE TO GIVE YOU THE CONTACTS OF THE TOP PROFESSIONAL MODELING AGENCY IN MIDGALE!
WOW!
FINALLY, THERE YOU ARE!
AH! YOU'RE HERE! HOW DID YOU GET IN?

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IT DOESN'T MATTER! THE IMPORTANT THING IS THAT YOU STOP FOOLING AROUND!
WHAT'S WRONG? DON'T YOU LIKE MY NEW LOOK?
THERE'S NOTHING TO SMILE ABOUT! WE'RE BEING TOO CONSPICUOUS!
COME ON! NOBODY COULD'VE RECOGNIZED ME!
I LOOK SO... SO DIFFERENT!
I FEEL UNIQUE! REAL! LIKE ANOTHER CORNELIA!
HOLD ON! WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
I'LL BE RIGHT BACK! I JUST WANT TO WALK AROUND A BIT!
WHAT?
THERE'S A BOY SOMEWHERE AROUND HERE! HE WAS GLANCING AT ME BEFORE THE SHOW!

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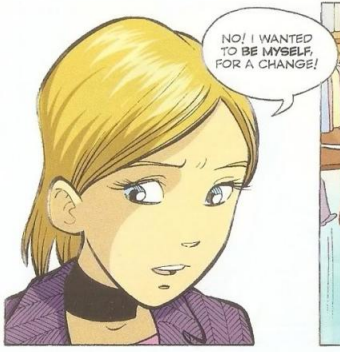
COME ON! I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WRONG! I JUST WANTED TO TRY SOMETHING NEW!
LIKE WHAT? THE EXHILARATING SENSATION OF BEING LEERED AT BY A TOTAL STRANGER?



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JUST A MINUTE! WE WERE JUST GOING TO THE DRESSING ROOM TO GIVE THEM BACK!
IT'S TRUE! YOU HAVE TO BELIEVE US! I WASN'T TRYING TO STEAL THEM! I...

End of Part One.

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LUNCHTIME! THE BIG, CHAOTIC CITY OF MIDGALE SEEMS TO HAVE STOPPED FOR A BREATHER.
YET THE REEDROSE DEPARTMENT STORE IS OPEN ALL DAY LONG, AND ITS WORKERS WILL HAVE TO HOLD THEIR BREATH...
...AT LEAST UNTIL SOMEONE COMES TO REPLACE THEM!
IT'S ABOUT TIME! YOUR SHIFT STARTED TEN MINUTES AGO!
SORRY, BUT COULD YOU GIVE ME ONE MORE SECOND? I NEED TO TALK TO THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT!
WHY NOT? I'VE ALREADY MISSED MY BUS, ANYWAY...
OH, NO! WHAT'S SHE DOING?
SNIF SNIF
JUST WHAT I NEEDED! A NUTCASE TO END MY SHIFT!
HMM...
SNIFF

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AHEM! HELLO THERE! CAN I HELP YOU?
YOU CAN IF YOU'VE BEEN HERE ALL DAY...
FINE! GIVEN YOUR... UM... YOUR STYLE, I'D SUGGEST PANTHER, THE SCENT OF THE NIGHT!
DON'T TRY IT! THIS FOUL-SMELLING PLACE HAS ALREADY NAUSEATED ME ENOUGH!
I BEG YOUR PARDON?
I HAD SERIOUS PROBLEMS TRACKING DOWN THE SCENT OF MY PREYS! BUT NOW I KNOW THEY CAME THROUGH HERE!
FIVE GIRLS, ABOUT THIS TALL! YOU'VE SEEN THEM, HAVEN'T YOU?
I KNEW SHE WAS TOTALLY OUT OF IT! I'D BETTER GET AWAY FROM HER, AND FAST!
I'M SORRY, BUT I HAVE TO GO! IF YOU NEED ANYTHING, YOU CAN ASK MY COLLEAGUE!
THE ONLY THING I NEED IS SOME INFORMATION...
?
...AND BY THE SACRED RINGS OF BASILIADE, YOU ARE GOING TO GIVE IT TO ME!

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MEANWHILE, NOT SO FAR AWAY...
WE DID IT! WE DID, FOR CRYING OUT LOUD!
TRENDY TEEN
Midgale
Hoover Street 34/b
5567643 21
WE WERE THE ONES WHO FOUND OUT THAT THE FASHION SHOW ORGANIZER NEEDED A MODEL...
WE WERE THE ONES WHO INTRODUCED HER TO CORNELIA! IT'S THANKS TO US THAT HER SHOW WENT SO WELL!
AND HOW DOES SHE REPAY US? BY GIVING US A BUSINESS CARD FOR A MODELING AGENCY?!
COME ON, THINK ABOUT IT! SHE COULDN'T GIVE US THE MONEY!
IN ORDER TO PAY CORNELIA, SHE'D HAVE TO HAVE CORNY SIGN A CONTRACT IN THE PRESENCE OF HER PARENTS!
BUT WE'RE ONLY ASTRAL DROPS AND WE... WE HAVEN'T GOT PARENTS!

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WELL? DID YOU FIND THEM?
WE CHECKED THE TOP THREE FLOORS, BUT NO LUCK!
MAYBE THEY LEFT THE BUILDING!
THIS IS SERIOUS, GUYS! IT'S NOT LIKE CORNELIA AND TARANEE TO DISAPPEAR LIKE THIS!
ARE YOU REALLY WORRIED?
WHAT A QUESTION! OF COURSE I'M WORRIED! AFTER ALL, WE'RE ALL ALONE... AND WE'RE STILL BROKE!
WE CAN'T EVEN TELL THE POLICE THAT OUR FRIENDS ARE MISSING, BECAUSE...
OH!
PAO CHAI! WHAT'S WRONG?
N-NOTHING!
AND NEVER CALL ME THAT AGAIN!
?

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OUCH! YOU'RE HURTING MY WRIST!
EXIT
WHERE... WHERE ARE YOU TAKING US?
YOU'RE NO UNDERCOVER GUARD, ARE YOU?
WHAT A GENIUS! I WAS WONDERING WHEN YOU'D FIGURE THAT OUT!
NOW SHUT UP AND GET IN THE CAR!
AH!
WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM US?
I DON'T KNOW! I HAVE TO THINK ABOUT IT. SO YOU NEED TO BE QUIET!
AAAH!
HELP! HEEELP!
AAAAHHH!
HELP!
AAH!
HELP!
HAVEN'T YOU FIGURED IT OUT YET? NOBODY CAN HEAR YOU DOWN HERE!

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Despite the bright lights and the confusing smells in reedrose, orube's incredible sense of hearing is still sharp...
CRAAASH

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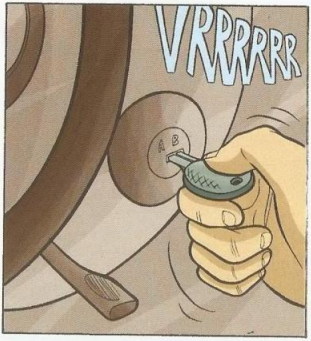

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STUMP
SKREEEEEEEE
ORUBE!!! WE'RE IN HERE! IT'S US!
HELP US!
HELP! HEEELP!
QUIET! QUIET! SHUT UP!
WHOEVER THAT SNOOP IS, SHE CAN'T DO ANYTHING TO HELP YOU! AFTER ALL, SHE CERTAINLY CAN'T...
...C-CATCH UP WITH US?

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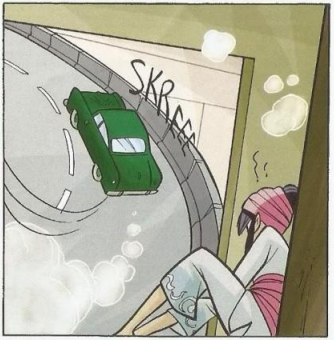

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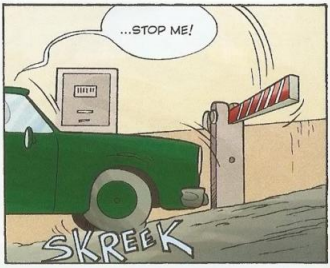

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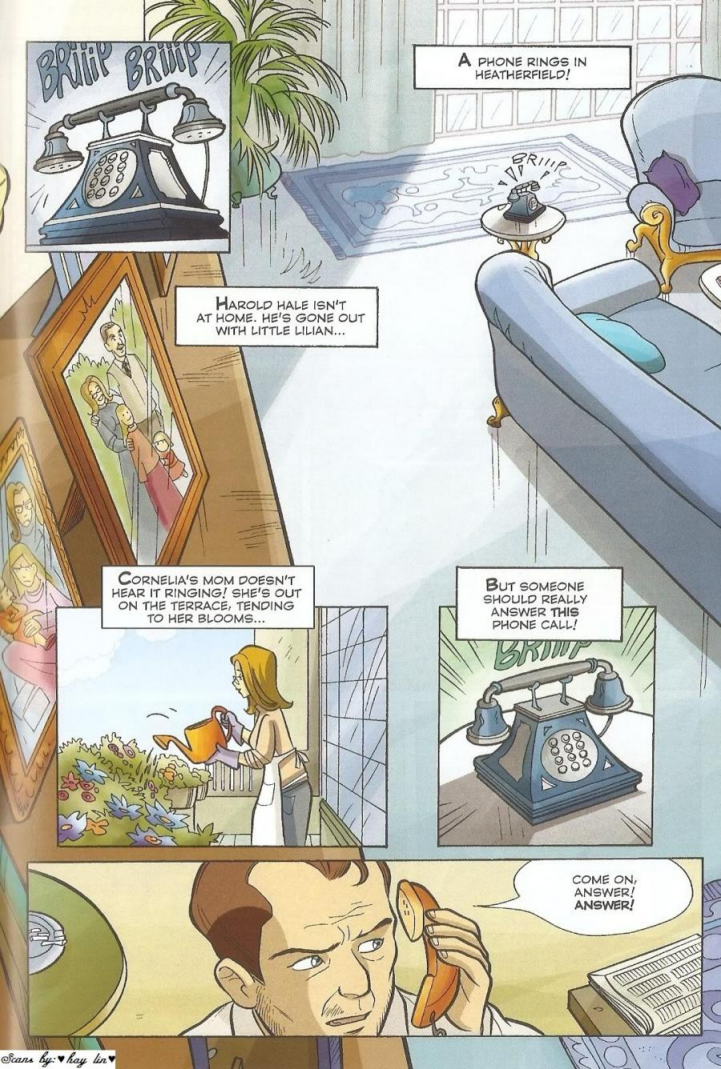
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A PHONE RINGS IN HEATHERFIELD!
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HAROLD HALE ISN'T AT HOME. HE'S GONE OUT WITH LITTLE LILIAN...
CORNELIA'S MOM DOESN'T HEAR IT RINGING! SHE'S OUT ON THE TERRACE, TENDING TO HER BLOOMS...
BUT SOMEONE SHOULD REALLY ANSWER THIS PHONE CALL!
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COME ON, ANSWER! ANSWER!

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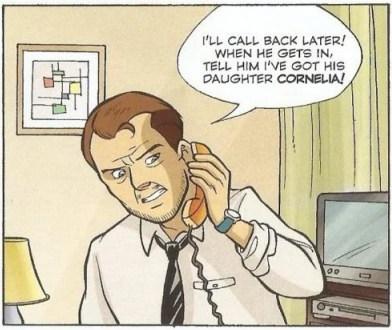

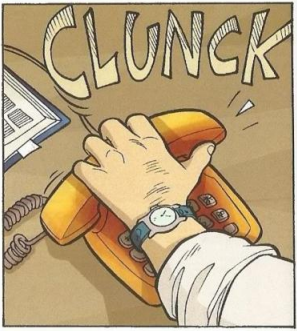

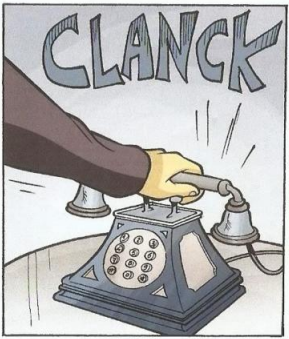

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IN ANOTHER PART OF MIDGALE...
HERE I AM! ALL IN ONE PIECE... ALMOST!
AT THE E.R., THEY SAID IT WASN'T FRACTURED! I CAN TAKE OFF THIS BANDAGE IN A FEW DAYS!
THAT'S GOOD!
NOW WHAT'LL YOU DO? TAKE US BACK TO THEM... TO OUR "MASTERS"!?
YES, THAT'S THE PLAN.
YOU DON'T EVEN WANT TO HEAR WHY WE RAN AWAY?
LISTENING ISN'T A PART OF MY TASKS!
GIVE IT UP, PAO CHAI! IT'S NO USE ASKING SOMEONE LIKE ORUBE...
...TO BE HUMAN!

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IN THE BEGINNING, WE DIDN'T EVEN REALIZE IT...
WHEN WE WERE GIVEN ORDERS, WE'D CARRY THEM OUT, NO QUESTIONS ASKED!
IF THERE WAS A PROBLEM IN KANDRAKAR, WE'D APPEAR ALL OF A SUDDEN!
BUT THEN IT STARTED GETTING DIFFICULT FOR US TO LIVE THAT... THAT TEMPORARY EXISTENCE!
OVER TIME, WE REALIZED WE WEREN'T JUST ASTRAL DROPS! WE WERE PEOPLE...
...AND EVERY TIME WE WENT BACK TO LIMBO, WAITING TO BE CALLED UP AGAIN, WE FELT MORE AND MORE ALONE!
AND MORE AND MORE ALIVE!

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SO WHY DIDN'T YOU EVER TALK ABOUT IT WITH THE GUARDIANS?
THEY WOULDN'T HAVE LISTENED TO US! THEY WERE TOO BUSY SAVING THE WORLD!
THEY THOUGHT WE WERE JUST IMAGES, CARBON COPIES TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF!
AND THEY WERE WRONG!
BUT YOU WERE WRONG, TOO, WHEN YOU JUDGED THEM! THE GUARDIANS ARE CAPABLE OF UNDERSTANDING YOU!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO DOESN'T UNDERSTAND! BY NOW, WE'VE CAUSED THEM A LOT OF TROUBLE. WE'RE A PROBLEM FOR THEM!
THE MINUTE THEY SEE US, THEY'LL REABSORB US! AND WE'LL HAVE THROWN AWAY OUR LAST CHANCE FOR FREEDOM!
DO YOU KNOW HOW IT FEELS LIKE TO BE REALLY FREE? DO YOU, ORUBE?
PERHAPS NOT!
BUT I KNOW WHAT IT MEANS TO BE ALONE IN AN UNKNOWN WORLD!

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A FEW MOMENTS LATER...
SO EVERYTHING'S OKAY THEN, DOCTOR?
OF COURSE! YOU CAN GO BACK TO WORK TOMORROW AT REEDROSE!
ACTUALLY, I WAS HOPING THIS WOULD BE MY CHANCE TO TAKE A FEW DAYS OFF OF WORK AND...
AAAH! THAT'S HER! THE TIGER!
UH-OH!
SHE'S THE ONE WHO DID THIS TO ME!
HEY, YOUNG LADY!
HUH?
WHERE DID SHE GO?

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IS THAT GUY STILL OUT THERE?
YEAH, HE'S IN THE NEXT ROOM,' HE SEEMS TO BE IN A DILEMMA!
OF COURSE! HE WAS PLANNING ON DEMANDING A RANSOM FROM MY DOUBLE'S FATHER! SOMETHING QUICK AND SIMPLE...
...BUT WHEN ORUBE SHOWED UP, HE STARTED TO GET NERVOUS!
IF ONLY WE HAD POWERS! THEN WE COULD TAKE CARE OF HIM BY OURSELVES!
SORRY TO REMIND YOU, BUT WE DON'T HAVE ANYTHING AT ALL!
AT LEAST FOR A FEW MOMENTS AT REEDROSE... I BELIEVED I HAD SOMETHING!
"GLIDING PAST ALL THOSE BEAUTIFUL MIRRORS, MY REFLECTION TOLD ME THAT I WAS REAL! TRUE!"

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BUT NOW, I SEE MY OLD REFLECTION AGAIN! SHATTERED! DIRTY! MAKING ME QUESTION WHO I REALLY AM...
OR...
...WHAT...
...I'M...
...NOT.
CRASH
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
ALL OF THIS PHILOSOPHIZING ABOUT REFLECTIONS HAS MADE ME COME UP WITH AN IDEA...
PIECES OF A BROKEN MIRROR CAN CUT THROUGH ROPE, RIGHT?

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SBAM
A.SMITH
POLICE! PUT YOUR HANDS UP, AND DON'T MOVE!
?
HEY! HEY! CALM DOWN, OFFICER!
HANDS UP AGAINST THE WALL! NOW!
HOW DID YOU FIND OUT THAT!...?
THE CLOSED-CIRCUIT CAMERAS!
NEVER LEAVE WITHOUT PAYING YOUR PARKING FEE AT REEDROSE! YOU RISK HAVING YOUR LICENSE PLATE CAUGHT ON FILM!
T-CLAC
WHAT ABOUT THOSE TWO GIRLS WITH YOU? WITNESSES SAID YOU DROVE OFF WITH THEM!
TH-THEY'RE OVER THERE! IN THAT ROOM!
DON'T MAKE IT HARDER FOR US, PAL! WHERE EXACTLY ARE THEY? KIDNAPPING IS A SERIOUS CHARGE!
BUT I'M TELLING YOU, THEY...

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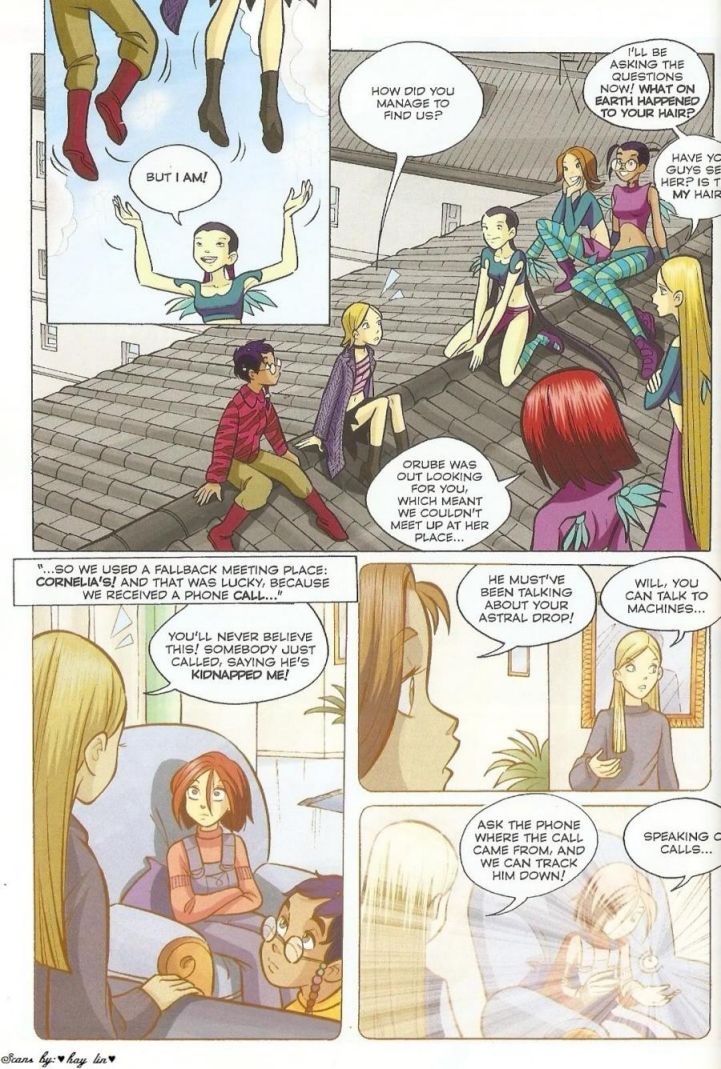
BUT I AM!
HOW DID YOU MANAGE TO FIND US?
I'LL BE ASKING THE QUESTIONS NOW! WHAT ON EARTH HAPPENED TO YOUR HAIR?
HAVE YO GUYS SE HERP IS T MY HAIR
ORUBE WAS OUT LOOKING FOR YOU, WHICH MEANT WE COULDN'T MEET UP AT HER PLACE...
"...SO WE USED A FALLBACK MEETING PLACE: CORNELIA'S! AND THAT WAS LUCKY, BECAUSE WE RECEIVED A PHONE CALL..."
YOU'LL NEVER BELIEVE THIS! SOMEBODY JUST CALLED, SAYING HE'S KIDNAPPED ME!
HE MUST'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT YOUR ASTRAL DROP!
WILL, YOU CAN TALK TO MACHINES...
ASK THE PHONE WHERE THE CALL CAME FROM, AND WE CAN TRACK HIM DOWN!
SPEAKING O CALLS...

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HELLO, WILL?
WHAT? DID I FIND THE ASTRAL DROPS? OF COURSE!
UNFORTUNATELY, THERE WAS A LITTLE CONFUSION AND...
...AND I THINK I LOST TRACK OF THEM! I'M REALLY SORRY!
MILK
VROOOM
MILK
End of Episode.

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